

Interview Summary

Application No.
08/997,411

Applicant(s)
YONEDA

Examiner
Alan Cariaso

Group Art Unit
2875

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Alan Cariaso

(3) _____

(2) Brain Hanlon

(4) _____

Date of Interview Dec 9, 1999

Type: ☐ Telephonic ☒ Personal (copy is given to ☐ applicant ☒ applicant's representative).

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: ☐ Yes ☒ No. If yes, brief description:

Agreement ☐ was reached. ☒ was not reached.

Claim(s) discussed: 1

Identification of prior art discussed:

Tamura

Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

Attorney presented a proposed amendment. It was discussed that Tamura still would meet the limitations in the proposed amended claim 1. There was discussion of amend claim 1 which would overcome Tamura. Attorney shall send another amendment reflecting what was discussed.


(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments, if available, which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments which would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

1. ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview.

Unless the paragraph above has been checked to indicate to the contrary, A FORMAL WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION IS NOT WAIVED AND MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a response to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW.

2. ☐ Since the Examiner's interview summary above (including any attachments) reflects a complete response to each of the objections, rejections and requirements that may be present in the last Office action, and since the claims are now allowable, this completed form is considered to fulfill the response requirements of the last Office action. Applicant is not relieved from providing a separate record of the interview unless box 1 above is also checked.

Examiner Note: You must sign and stamp this form unless it is an attachment to a signed Office action.


ALAN CARIASO
PRIMARY EXAMINER
ART UNIT 2875

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Kenji YONEDA

Serial No.: 08/997,411

Filed: December 23, 1997

For : LIGHTING UNIT

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) Group Art Unit: 2875

) Examiner: Alan Cariasco

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) Attorney Docket: 01309.73108

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT FOR DISCUSSION PURPOSES ONLY

Claim 1. (Twice Amended) A lighting unit comprising a ring-shaped transparent body for light diffusion [and a plurality of illuminants], said transparent body having a light-emission surface [for illuminating a surface of a product to be examined when the product is located at an under side of the lighting unit], a light-introduction surface, a plurality of illuminants positioned along said light-introduction surface for emitting light from said light-emission surface and for illuminating a surface of a product to be examined when the product is located at an under side of the lighting unit, a center hole having a first end and a second end, said center hole being open between said first and second ends for performing visual inspection or taking of photographs of the surface of the product to be examined from an upper side of the lighting unit through the center hole, and a plurality of transparent body surfaces each having a reflective layer so as to reflect and return light into the transparent body.



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